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Field Crops Report

As of April 22, **Alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 44 percent not being harvested, 11 percent light, 4 percent moderate, and 41 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 2 percent poor, 17 percent fair, 62 percent good, and 19 percent excellent.

Cotton was reported as 53 percent planted, compared with 54 percent last year and 55 percent for the 5 year average.

As of April 22, 79 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 80 percent of **Barley**, 69 percent of **Winter Wheat**, and 72 percent of **Other Small Grains** were reported as headed.

Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

Range and Pasture conditions were reported as 2 percent poor, 22 percent fair, 52 percent good, and 24 percent excellent. **Livestock** were reported to be in fair to good condition. **Stock Water** was reported as adequate. **Soil Moisture** was reported as adequate. **Insect Damage** was reported as none to light.

Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Producers in central Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, iceberg lettuce, mixed greens, romaine, and spinach last week. Producers in western Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, flowering kale, parsley, potatoes, spinach, and swiss chard. Lettuce shipments included boston, iceberg, leaf and romaine.

Citrus shipments in central Arizona included tangerines, grapefruit, lemons, navels and valencias last week. Shipments from western Arizona included grapefruit, lemons, navels, tangerines and valencias.

Weather Summary

Temperatures throughout the State were above average for the week ending April 21. Temperatures ranged from 1 degree above normal at Kingman, Parker and Yuma to 7 degrees above normal at Safford. The highest temperature of the week was 100 degrees at Gila Bend, while the lowest reading was 23 degrees at Flagstaff. Precipitation was reported at 13 out of 17 reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.03 inches at Grand Canyon to 0.69 inches at Coolidge.

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Weather Information Table (temperatures, precipitation, and/or growing degree days)

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA
 FOR THE WEEK APRIL 15 TO APRIL 21, 2001**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	52	5	85	36	0.00	2.16	2.48
Casa Grande	68	3	98	48	0.23	5.06	2.55
Coolidge	66	6	99	47	0.69	5.51	2.85
Douglas	62	5	87	39	0.00	1.75	1.86
Flagstaff	43	4	71	23	0.19	6.99	7.80
Gila Bend	71	3	100	51	0.00	3.10	2.02
Grand Canyon	43	5	75	25	0.03	8.41	5.28
Kingman	59	1	88	33	0.37	3.71	3.38
Parker	72	1	99	51	0.00	1.51	1.71
Payson	54	3	80	32	0.27	7.89	7.18
Phoenix	71	4	97	48	0.14	4.46	2.45
Prescott Airport	52	4	81	35	0.07	3.75	3.05
Safford Ag Center	62	7	90	42	0.13	2.67	2.06
Tucson	66	6	95	50	0.06	3.39	2.50
Willcox	58	7	89	36	0.03	4.20	2.44
Winslow	54	5	86	32	0.05	1.56	1.69
Yuma	72	1	96	53	0.05	2.71	0.92

1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

2/ Daily precipitation totals 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. instead of midnight to midnight. Periods of record used in computing "average to date" for precipitation and "departure" for average temperatures may be obtained from National Weather Service, Phoenix.

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